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one of the first steps Salvadoran Communist leaders are taking in their campaign to change the labor code which prohibits establishment of a central labor organization* is the activation of regional labor federations.

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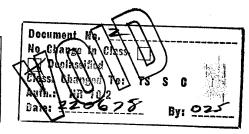
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- 2. They will propose that a regional system based on the political struc⊶ ture of the country be established in approximately the following manner: Federacion Sindical Central with headquarters in San Salvador; Federacion Sindical Oriental with headquarters in San Figuel; and Federacion Sindical Occidental with headquarters in Santa Ana. These federations will be composed of worker syndicates organized along factory and guild lines.
- 3. Current plans call for proposition of this arrangement at the labor congress sponsored by the Confederada de Obreros de Il Salvador (COS) to be held in November. The Communists expect to have control of several delegations by this tire and hope thus to be in a position to press their demands.

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